

PATTERSON, THUENTE, SKAAR & CHRISTENSEN, P.A.
4800 IDS Center, 80 South Eighth Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-2100 USA

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
MAY 03 2005

FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

TELEPHONE: (612) 349-5740 TOLL FREE: 1-800 331-4537
FACSIMILE: (612) 349-9266

TOTAL NUMBER OF PAGES BEING SENT (INCLUDING COVER SHEET): 24

[] Original documents to follow by mail

[X] No originals will be sent

DATE: May 3, 2005

TO: Examiner Eric Keasel
Group Art Unit 3754

FAX #: 703-872-9306

PHONE #: 571-272-4906

Application No.: 10/630,822
Applicant: James N.L. Pedersen et al.
Due Date: May 18, 2005

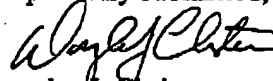
OUR REF.: 2267.877US02

FROM: Douglas J. Christensen
PHONE #: 612-349-3001

Attached please find the following for filing in the above-identified application.

- (1) Submission in Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (1 pg.);
- (2) Amendment (10 pgs.) in response to Office Action dated January 10, 2005 with legible copies of NPL documents (12 pgs.).

Respectfully submitted,


Douglas J. Christensen
Registration No. 35,480

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Fax No. 703-872-9306 on the date shown below.

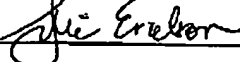
Date

May 3, 2005


Douglas J. Christensen

THIS FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION CONTAINS LEGALLY PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION INTENDED FOR THE PARTY IDENTIFIED ABOVE. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS TRANSMISSION IN ERROR, PLEASE CALL PATTERSON, THUENTE, SKAAR & CHRISTENSEN COLLECT AT (612) 349-5740. DISTRIBUTION, REPRODUCTION OR ANY OTHER USE OF THIS TRANSMISSION BY ANY PARTY OTHER THAN THE INTENDED RECIPIENT IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

FACSIMILE SENT BY:



PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Attorney Docket No.: 2267.8771JS02

James N.L. Pedersen et al.

Confirmation No.: 8150

Application No.: 10/630,822

Examiner: Eric S. Keasel

Filed: July 29, 2003

Group Art Unit: 3754

For: FLUID VALVE

SUBMISSION IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE
OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
MAY 03 2005

Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed April 18, 2005. As this Amendment is being submitted within one month of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, it is believed that no extension of time is payable. If it is determined that an extension of time is payable, the Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas J. Christensen
Registration No. 35,480

Customer No. 24113
Patterson, Thuent, Skaar & Christensen, P.A.
4800 IDS Center, 80 South 8th Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-2100
Telephone: (612) 349-3001

Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Fax No. 703-871-9306 on the date shown below.

Date

May 3, 2005
Douglas J. Christensen

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Attorney Docket No.: 2267.877US02

James N.L. Pedersen et al.

Confirmation No.: 8150

Application No.: 10/630,822

Examiner: Eric Keasel

Filed: July 29, 2003

Group Art Unit: 3754

For: FLUID VALVE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
MAY 03 2005

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action of January 10, 2005 and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed April 18, 2005, amendment to the above-identified patent application is requested.

The present amendment comprises the following sections:

- A. Amendments to the Claims
- B. Remarks

Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Fax No. 703-872-9306 on the date shown below.

Date

May 3, 2005

Douglas J. Christensen